

House Resolution No. 507

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events of interest to Show-Me State seniors and their loving, devoted families; and

Whereas, on Friday, February 28, 2003, The Gardens "at Barry Road" will hold its Grand Opening reception followed on Saturday, March 1, 2003, by an Open House in celebration of its status as the Kansas City metropolitan area's latest, most state-of-the-art assisted living community; and

Whereas, located north of downtown Kansas City, The Gardens is a thirty-five-acre retirement community which consists of two-story, upscale assisted living apartments in four different styles ranging from 295 to 595 square feet; and

Whereas, when completed the entire development will represent an approximately \$35 million investment in the Northland and will border the new Zona Rosa upper scale shopping area, contain a nature trail, enjoy access to the new Amity Road park to the west, and overlook the site of a future ten-acre lake to be developed by Weatherby Lake Improvement Company; and

Whereas, The Gardens living units feature vaulted ceilings, spacious walk-in closets, natural light, wrap-around decks, and ergonomic designs for a carefree retirement life complete with a professional security system that includes controlled access doors, smoke and fire alarms, and a 24-hour emergency call system; and

Whereas, dedicated to melding independence, care, and assistance, The Gardens utilizes the visionary leadership of Administrator Charles Shorter and the wealth of experience and knowledge embodied in a management team composed of a Director of Marketing, a Lifestyle Services Director, an Executive Chef, a Director of Nursing Services, and a Maintenance Supervisor:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the opening of The Gardens "at Barry Road" by Bethesda Living Centers of Colorado Springs, Colorado, and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes for unparalleled success as the Northland's newest assisted living community; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Grand Opening and Open House of The Gardens "at Barry Road".

Offered by _____
Representative Susan C. Phillips
District No. 32

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 507, adopted February 26, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker